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MEDIA ADVISORY

FORT BRAGG, North Carolina, - Maj. Gen. Thaddeus J. Martin Adjutant General and Commander of the Connecticut National Guard announces that the 500 soldiers from the 102nd Infantry Battalion of New Haven, Conn., departed from Ft. Bragg for Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom and are scheduled to be on active duty for up to 18 months.

The unit mobilized in January 2006 and departed Connecticut on January 7, 2006 and began training and validation at Ft. Bragg.

The 102d Infantry Battalion is one of the oldest serving units in Connecticut constituted in 1672. The 102nd Infantry Battalion has been involved in major campaigns from the Revolutionary War, Civil War with battles at Bull Run, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, World War I, World War II, Bosnia and Iraq.

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